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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF LAWRENCE WITT

LONDON FOR RODMAN AND THIGPEN

PARIS FOR SHARP

OECD PARIS FOR HIRSCH

EC BRUSSELS FOR MONTEL AND MCCARTHY

GENEVA FOR KOENIG

1. LAWRENCE WITT, SENIOR AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST
WITH INR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS
PLANS TO VISIT ADDRESSEE POSTS OCTOBER 3 TO 17 TO OBTAIN
FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROBLEMS
AFFECTING AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE POLICIES IN WESTERN
EUROPE.

2. WITT WILL ARRIVE IN LONDON 8:30 A.M. SUNDAY OCTOBER 3

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ON PANAM 106, PARIS 12:00 NOON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6 ON

BE 006, BRUSSELS BY SURFACE ON MONDAY OCTOBER 11,
GENEVA 22:10 ON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13 ON SWISSAIR 779.
HE PLANS TO DEPART GENEVA SUNDAY OCTOBER 17.

3. WITT IS INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH EMBASSY ECONOMIC
AND AGRICULTURAL OFFICERS TO DISCUSS FARM COMMODITY
POLICIES, AGRICULTURAL POLICY DECISION MAKING IN THE EC,
AND MTN NEGOTIATIONS. HIS PARTICULAR INTERESTS INCLUDE

POSSIBLE CHANGES IN ATTITUDES TOWARD GRAIN RESERVES,
COMMODITY PROGRAMS, AND THE CAP, AND POSSIBLE PROGRESS
IN MTN AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS.

4. IN LONDON, IF APPROPRIATE, HE WOULD WELCOME
OPPORTUNITY TO CONFER WITH OFFICIALS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
WHEAT, SUGAR, AND COFFEE ORGANIZATIONS. IN BRUSSELS
WOULD APPRECIATE MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE EC ECONOMISTS
WHO PROVIDE COMMISSION WITH ANALYSES OF CAP POLICIES.
IN PARIS, HE DESIRES OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSION WITH
APPROPRIATE OECD OFFICIALS. IN GENEVA, WITT IS MAINLY
INTERESTED IN TALKING WITH US MTN OFFICIALS.

5. IF PROPOSED DATES ARE ACCEPTABLE, PLEASE ARRANGE
HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS IN EACH CITY. ADVISE. ROBINSON

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